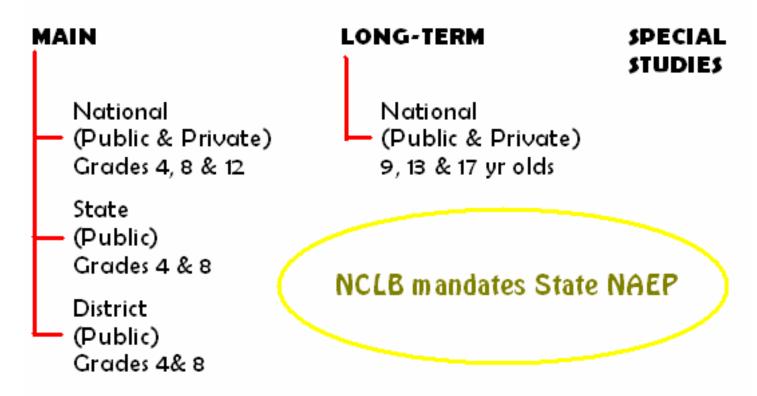


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The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)





Current Organizational Structure of NAEP

Institute of Education Sciences

U.S. Department of Education

National Assessment Governing Board

National Center for Education Statistics

Assessment Division

National Assessment of Educational Progress Contractors: ETS, Westat, AIR NCS Pearson, GMRI, Hager Sharp, HumRRO, ESSI

Reviewers of Newly Developed Items

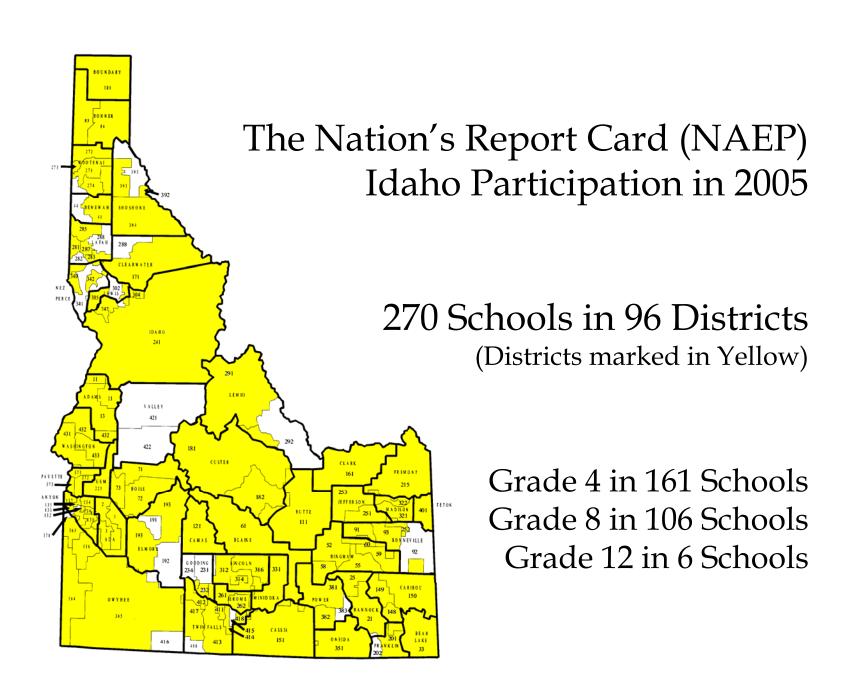


- Items and their results from field testing are reviewed by the following groups
 - NAEP State Coordinators (Coordinators) and state curriculum specialists (NAEP NETWORK)
 - A national committee of experts in the related field
 - NCES
 - NAGB, who is the final reviewer

Purpose of Review



- This network of reviewers
 - Ensure items meet framework specifications
 - Clarify ambiguity
 - ▶ Eliminate bias
 - ▶ Ensure items are
 - ▼ Neutral
 - ▼ Secular
 - ▼ Nonideological



Rules Governing Participation

- "Education Sciences Act" (ESA)
 - All participation in NAEP assessments is voluntary
- "No Child Left Behind Act" (NCLB)
 - States and districts receiving Title I funds must participate in NAEP
 - Parents can opt-out their children from NAEP
- Idaho State Board of Education's "Rules Governing Thoroughness"
 - All students must participate in NAEP, if selected

Even though the National Center for Education Statistics in the U.S. Department of Education pays for and administers NAEP, there is no federal requirement that an individual student complete all or any part of the assessment. However, Idaho administrative law does require that students enrolled in Idaho public schools (and public charter schools) participate in NAEP, if selected, just as they would in the *Idaho* Standards Achievement Tests or any of the other state mandated assessments.

New NAGB Policies to Implement the "No Child Left Behind Act"

Parent Notification about Federal Rules

- Individual student participation is voluntary
- Parent may opt-out student from the testing

Public Access to NAEP Materials

- No "personally identifiable" information
- Within 45 days of written request
- Demonstration Booklets

Complaints

ISAT Design: Results for Students, Schools, Districts, and the State

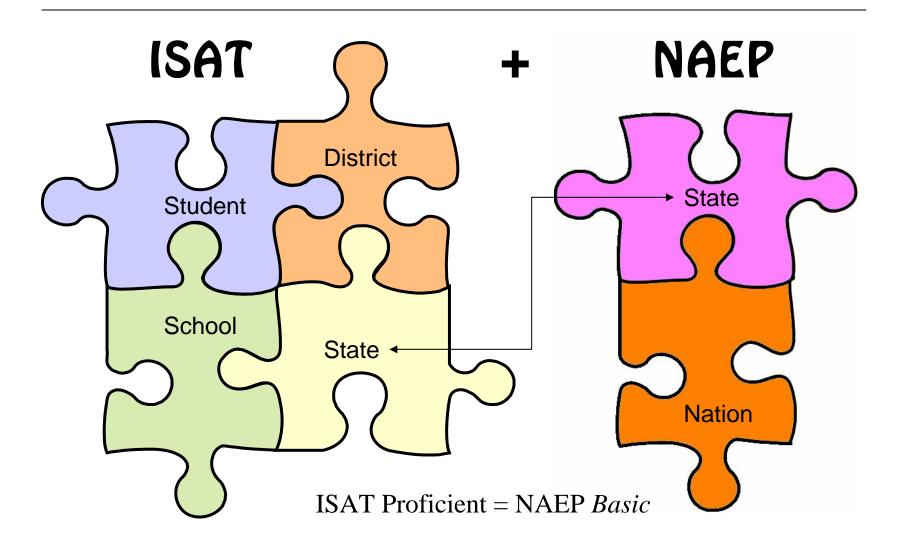


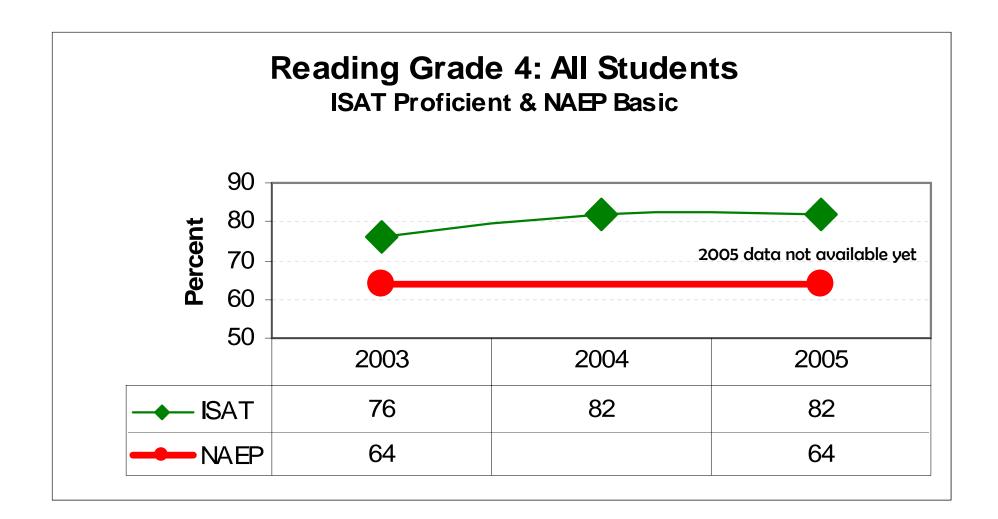
- All schools (including public charter schools) participate
- All students are tested (provisions for IEP/LEP)
- Students complete the "whole test"

NAEP Design: Results for State and Nation

- Only sample of schools in state invited to take part ("probability sample")
- Only sample of students in those schools are tested
- Students don't take all items (only 50 minutes of a 4 to 6 hour test)
- Student identity, by law, is confidential

Student Achievement Picture





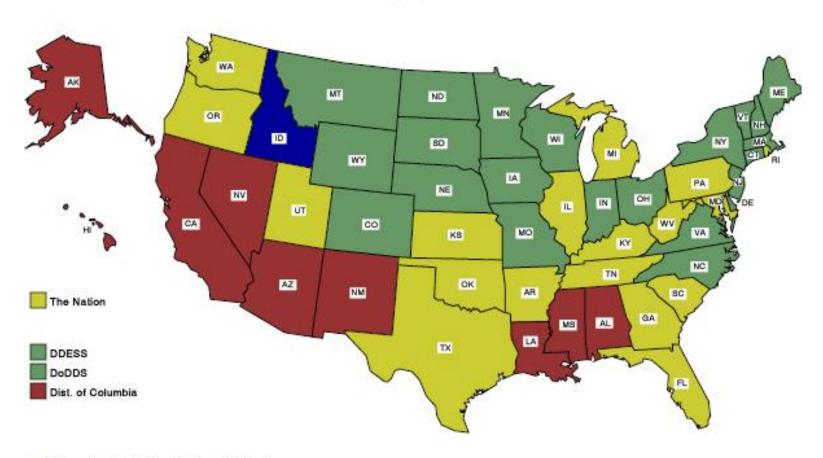
NAEP Reading/Literary Average Scale Score Grade 4 /All Students 2003



- Focal state/jurisdiction (Idaho)
 - Has a higher average scale score than focal state/jurisdiction
 - Is not significantly different from focal state/jurisdiction
- Has a lower average scale score than focal state/jurisdiction
- Was not selected for comparison
- Did not participate or did not meet minimum participation rates

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 2003 Reading Assessment.

NAEP Reading/Information Average Scale Score Grade 4 /All Students 2003



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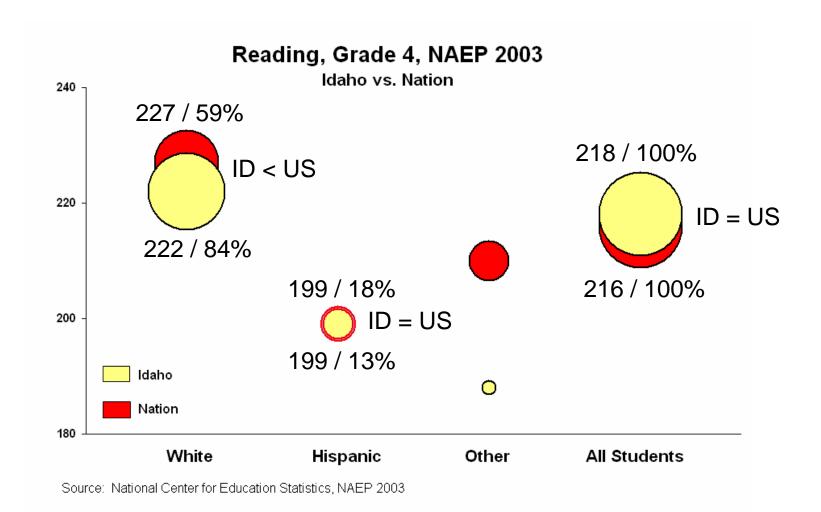
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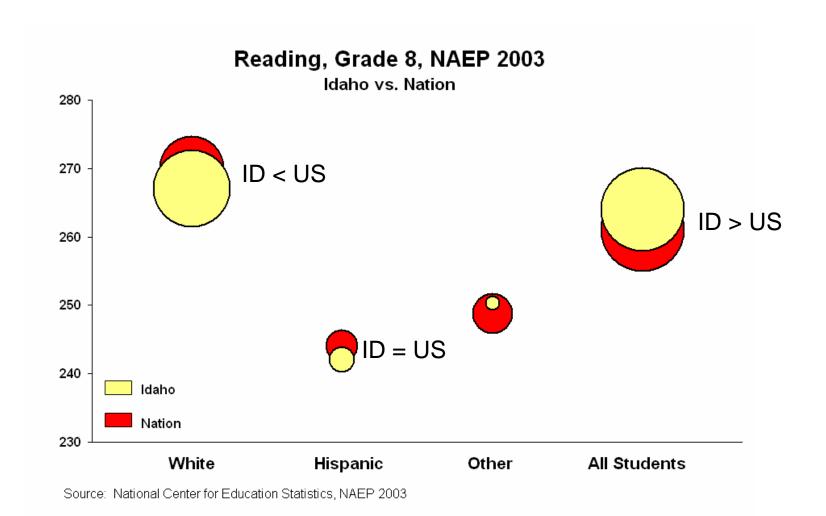
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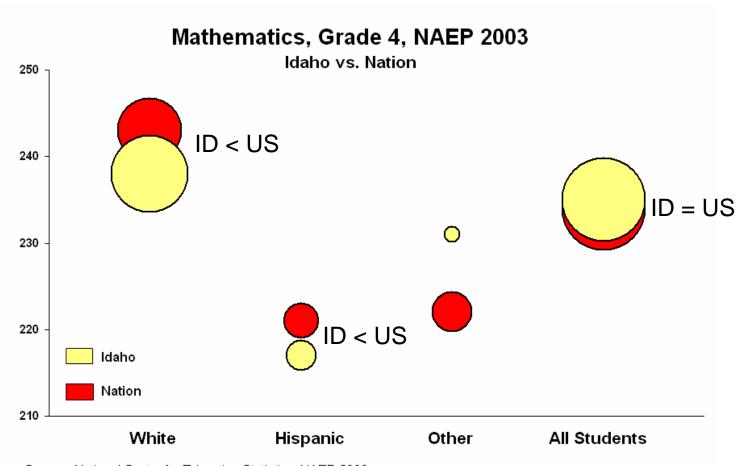
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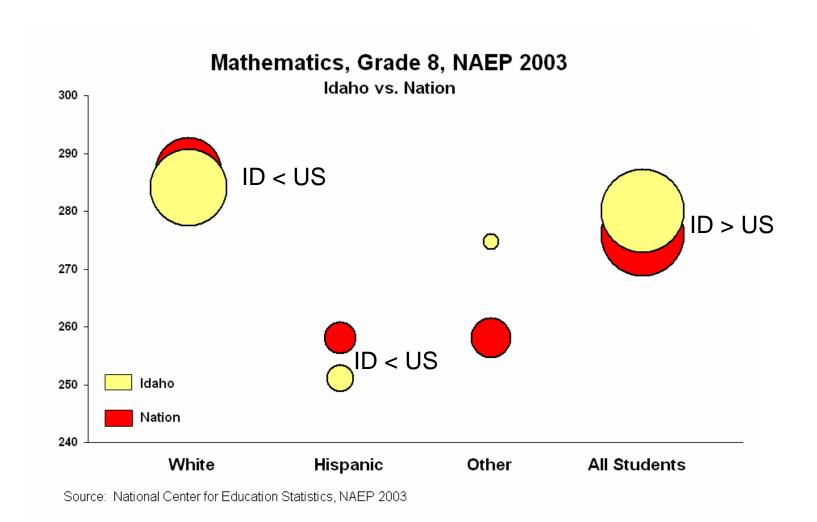
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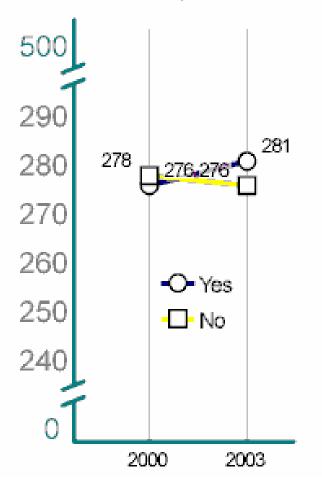




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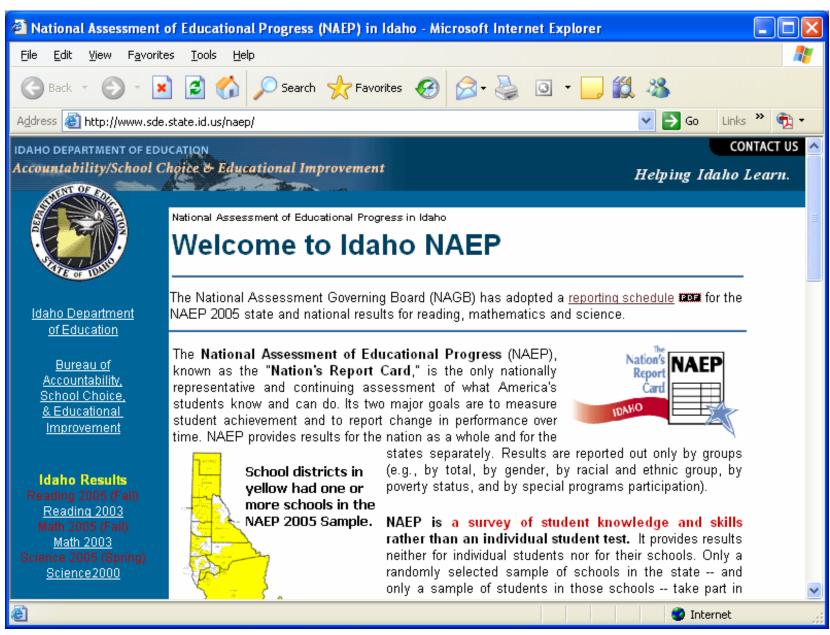
NAEP Mathematics/ Composite
Average Scale Score
Idaho/Grade 8
Eighth grade offered algebra for HS credit
2000, 2003



NAEP data can be organized by background information reported by students/staff.

Students from schools where principals reported that Eighth Grade Algebra was offered for high school credit had an average math score in 2003 (281) that was higher than in 2000 (276).

Students from schools where principals reported that Eighth Grade Algebra was NOT offered for high school credit had an average math score in 2003 (276) that was not different from 2000 (278).



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NAEP 2005 Samples in Idaho Schools - Grade 8

